

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A dough treatment facility comprises a dough feeder, a dough metering arrangement, a dough kneading arrangement, a transfer arrangement disposed between the dough metering arrangement and the dough kneading arrangement as well as a dough discharge arrangement. A delivery piston, which is driven by a drive mechanism, forms part of the dough metering arrangement. A drive component of the drive mechanism comprises a load sensing device, which is disposed for sensing the load by which the delivery piston, when pressing the dough, acts on the dough. This enables the pressure exercised by the delivery piston on the dough to be controlled so that too high a pressure, which would negatively affect the quality of the product, can be avoided.

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